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FOR TREATMENT OF  
BIOLOGICAL TISSUES**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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**AMENDMENTS**

Prior to an examination on the merits please amend the subject application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as follows (complete listing of amended paragraphs with markups according to Revised Format):

Please replace the paragraph at Page 1 Lines 4-8 with the following rewritten paragraph:

*np* This Patent Application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/097,555, <sup>now US Patent No. 6,743,251</sup> filed March 12, 2002, and entitled "LASER SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR TREATMENT OF BIOLOGICAL TISSUES" which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 (e) of the co-pending U.S. Provisional Patent Application, Serial No. 60/275,828, filed March 13, 2001, and entitled "MEDICAL LASER SYSTEM". The Provisional Patent Application, Serial No. 60/275,828, filed March 13, 2001, and entitled "MEDICAL LASER SYSTEM" is also hereby incorporated by reference.